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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201 and Section 70-1-204, relative to increasing the number of members of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201, is amended as follows:

(1) The first sentence of subsection (a) is amended by deleting the language "nine (9)" and by substituting instead the language "eleven (11)"; by deleting the language ", and" between the words "state" and "shall" and by substituting instead the language ". Nine (9) of these citizens"; and by adding the language ", one (1) shall be appointed by the speaker of the senate and one shall be appointed by the speaker of the house, each to be appointed" between the words "governor" and "within".

- (2) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by adding the words "appointed by the governor" between the word and punctuation "commission" and ",".
- (3) The first sentence of subsection (c) is amended by adding the words "appointed by the governor" after the word "members".
- (4) The third sentence of subsection (c) is amended by adding the words "the governor appointed" between the words "of" and "members".
- (5) Subsection (d) is amended by adding the words "by the governor" between the words "appointed" and "to".
 - (6) By adding the following new subsection to be designated as "(e)":
 - (e) Terms of speaker appointed members shall commence March
 - 1. Each speaker appointed member shall serve for a period of two (2) years.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-204, is amended as follows:
- (1) The first sentence of subsection (a) is amended by adding the words "who were appointed by the governor" between the words "commission" and "shall".
- (2) The second sentence of subsection (a) is amended by adding the words "of a member of the commission who was appointed by the governor" between the word and punctuation "term" and ",".
- (3) The first sentence of subsection (d) is amended by adding the words "governor appointed" between the words "remove" and "members".
- (4) The second sentence of subsection (d) is amended by adding the words "governor appointed" between the words "no" and "commissioner".
 - (5) By adding the following new subsection designated as "(e)":
 - (e) Vacancies through expiration of the terms of the members of the commission appointed by the speakers shall be filled by appointment by the appropriate speaker for a term of two (2) years. If a vacancy occurs other than by expiration of the term, the appropriate speaker shall fill such vacancy for the

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unexpired portion of the original term. Commissioners appointed by the speakers may serve unlimited successive terms of office.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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